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	A1	2,660,090	11/24/1953	Leitz, Jr. et al.	88	39	
	A2	3,865,468	02/11/1975	Holcomb	350	146	
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	A6	165 688	12/27/1985	EPO				
	A7	WO 91-06025	05/02/1991	PCT				
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